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MEMORANDIM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT:

Financial Hardships in Maternity Cases at Posts Where Inadequate Medical Facilities Exist

REFERENCE:

Meso for DD/8 fr D/Pers dtd 4 Feb 59, same subject

- 1. This memorandum submits a recommendation for approval of the Deputy Director (Support). Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 5.
- 2. Referenced memorandum presented recommendations for allevisting the financial hardships which are sometimes experienced by employees at posts where inadequate medical facilities exist for accompositing maternity confinement cases. These recommendations proposed
 - (1) that to perform such travel as would be required to reach an area with suitable facilities, employees and their wives should be authorized to use the approved Rest and Respection trevel program applicable to their posts (but not in addition to the quota of trips to which they are normally entitled), and
 - (2) that the standard separation allowance be granted from the time of the employee's departure from the evacuation city until the patient's departure from the evacuation city, excluding the period of her hospital confinement.

Following your approval of these recommendations on 9 July 1959, the separate components of UD/P were informed that these remedies were swallable for the stations or bases operating under the conditions contemplated in referenced memorandum.

3. In advance of submitting referenced memorandum to your office. we had consulted with the Department of State to ensure that our recommendation concerning payment of separation allowences would be in harmony with the general Covernment regulations dealing with the edministration of these allowances. Although we were assured that such was the case, it was also indicated that the incidence of maternity confinements of vives stationed at such herdship posts was infrequent. Accordingly, there were no firm rules or precedents to govern administration of the separation

allowance in these cases. In developing our own concepts, we incorporated into referenced memorandum the recommendation that the pariod of time that the patient was hospitalized not be counted as time for which the allowance would be made applicable. One of the reasons for this provise was the feeling that in most cases personnel would be adequately provided for during such periods under the terms of their hospitalization insurance and that the additional payment of a separation allowance might be regarded as overly liberal.

- A. We have learned more recently that in maternity cases of this kind the State Department makes no distinction for separation allowance purposes when wives must be absent at an evacuation city swaiting confinement and subsequently when they are actually hospitalized. The entire duration is classed as a continuous period of absence for which the allowance is payable. Further, the provision that the time spent in the hospital cannot be counted has established an additional reporting element in connection with compating the amount of allowance to be granted. In the interest, therefore, of granting Agency personnel separation allowances on the same terms as apply generally to other Federal personnel, as well as in the interest of more efficient administration, we believe that the program approved by you in referenced memorandum should be emended to provide for its administration along the lines followed by the State Department.
- 5. It is recommended that the program as set forth in refenemced memorands be emended to provide for the administration of
 separation allowences in accordance with the same practices which
 prevail in the Department of State with respect to determining the
 periods of time which constitute absence for which a separation
 allowence is payable. The accompanying draft of a proposed field
 dispatch which has been prepared to disseminate information concerning the program to the stations concerned reflects the recommended
 emendment.

Is/ Gordon M. Stewart

Gordon M. Stewart Director of Personnel

Attachment: A/S

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SUBJECT: Travel and Medical Separation Allowance for Maternity Cases at Hardship Posts

1. Financial hardships are sometimes encountered by employees at posts where inadequate medical facilities exist when travel is required to snother area for hospitalization or treatment. These hardships generally are confined to maternity cases since our overseas hospitalization and medical travel programs provide substantial coverage for conditions, other than maternity, which require hospitalization. The following program concerned with travel and medical separation allowances for maternity cases at hardship posts without adequate medical facilities for child delivery was established to overcome these financial burdens. The list of posts where child delivery facilities are considered to be inadequate is attached.

2. Prevel

The Organization is not authorized to reinburse employees for dependent travel for maternity reasons. However, the Rest and Rehabilitation (R&R) Travel Progress previously suthorized by the Organization for designated hardship posts may be used for maternity travel. Accordingly, an employee at such a post shose wife is pregnant may use the authorized R&R travel for purposes of maternity evacuation. Maternity evacuation travel at Government expense shall be suthorized by Chiefs of Station or Base only under the R&R Program to and from an evacuation city with adequate medical facilities within the limits prescribed under

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Support Assistant to the DD/S

SUBJECT

: Financial Hardships in Maternity Cases at Posts Where Inadequate Medical Facilities

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REFERENCE

: Staff Study from the Director of Personnel, subject as above, dated 4 February 1959,

and approved by DD/S 9 July 1959

In compliance with paragraph 10a of referenced staff study, listed below are those posts, within the areas indicated, where medical facilities for child delivery are inadequate:

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